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Hail Insurance Tax

An Impossible Scheme.

The article from the *Carstairs Journal* and also the letter from Mr. Gustus which we print below appear to us to show that the writers have been carried away by Mr. Shantz's scheme and have failed to carefully consider this matter for themselves. What is the purpose of insurance? Is it a scheme to make a profit? Would these gentlemen tell us of any insurance company that will insure a stock of goods, at the retail price? We have seen instructions issued to agents not to allow storekeepers to place insurance which would allow a margin of profit above the net wholesale price of their goods. Why then should the government be expected to stand good for the profit which bearing a hail storm, the farmer ought to make on his crop?

Mr. Shantz says tax every quarter section of farm land in Alberta to create a fund from which to pay for hail losses at \$8 an acre. Is Mr. Shantz so fond of taxes as all that? They rather think the government would speedily be kicked out if they proposed any such outrageous tax. What! Have our fair land branded as the "Hail Tax Country"? How would the fine sheaves of *Carstairs* grain which are being sent out to Great Britain, the States and elsewhere look with a "V" attached "From *Carstairs*, In the land of the Hail Tax." What effect would the very name of such a tax have on immigration? Our readers can figure this out for themselves.

Some time ago the Farmer's Association which was formed here brought up the subject of greater hail insurance. They however kept in mind the fact that the government would find it difficult to make hail insurance compulsory and took a more reasonable and sensible plan, organizing, so that when the time is ripe, they can bring to the notice of candidates standing for election, the fact that they desire the limit to which they can insure against hail losses increased to \$8 an acre.

They also made it plain that they would be willing to pay an increased premium for the privilege of increasing the amount of insurance carried. Why not show each one to value the work they put in on the acre and insure their interest in the crop of that amount, by paying a certain fixed percentage per acre. Then our *Carstairs* friends and others who can show that they spend \$8 an acre in putting in their crops can insure to that amount by simply paying the price.

The *Carstairs Journal* says:—"Alberta like all prairie countries has an occasional hail storm which damage crops. The government pays \$4 an acre for a total loss. This helps but has been too small for some time that a rate of \$8 or thereabouts would be much better for all concerned. M. R. Shantz, of *Carstairs*, has caused to be printed and circulated petitions to the government asking that every quarter section of farm land in Alberta be assessed \$2 or \$3 per quarter, the fund thus created to be used in paying hail losses at \$8 per acre. There are many arguments in favor of this. One is that it would be a great help to the man who loses. Another is that it would encourage any farmer to till more land and put in more crops knowing that would be protected from losses by hail. This would add to the productivity of the country and thus add to the value of all lands, whether cultivated or not. Another is that it would encourage new settlers as they would have nothing to fear from hail losses. The hail losses are a very small percentage of the crop anyway, but it is enough to cause apprehension among some. The movement is meeting with the approval of all.

The following letter from J. E. Gustus, of Airdrie, appears in the *Calgary Herald*:

Editor *Calgary Daily Herald*.
Sir,—In the current issue of your weekly appears an article, on the first page, entitled "Carstairs Grains." It seems that a Mr. Shantz, of *Carstairs*, is advocating the passage of a law taxing all lands in the province a small amount annually as a fund from which to pay at the rate of \$8 per acre, to those who lose their crops by hail. This in my judgment, is most commendable, and I earnestly trust your valuable paper may champion this movement until it may mature into law. If such a law can be passed, it will be one of the best measures that has been inaugurated for some time.
Yours truly,
J. E. GUSTUS.
Airdrie, Alta., Aug. 22, 1908.

Local and General.

Interesting Items Regarding Crossfield and Elsewhere.

Sunny Alberta!

Watch Crossfield Grow.

Have you subscribed yet?

Money saved by seeing Dave.

C. Cooke left on Wednesday afternoon for Banff.

George Reid was a visitor in *Calgary* this week.

Mr. Laus finished cutting his wheat crop last Friday.

If you have a good Tailor dont change. If not, See Dave.

Buy a De Laval cream separator from Edward & Brown, and join the procession of prosperous farmers.

J. W. Calhoun moved into the new residence next door to Mr. Sutherland's lumber yard last week.

Mrs. "Morrow" and family returned home on Tuesday morning after a three month's visit to Hamilton, Ont.

Mr. Hearne, representing the Cape Well Home Nall Co. Toronto, paid a business trip to Crossfield on Friday.

Dr. Lackner, of Didsbury, was in town on Wednesday. He spent the day at the Alberta Hotel doing dental work.

There will be a celebration of Holy Communion held in the school house at 11 a. m. on Sunday next by the Rev. F. Rickards, of Ashcroft, B. C.

F. Williams is having a new house built in town. When completed the residence will be occupied by Chas. H. McLean.

Another party of ten landowners from over the Line arrived on Tuesday night and drove out to the Colonization Co. lands east.

F. R. Parker and L. Powers were out east on Wednesday with a bunch of cattle which they have sold to D. McDaniel, of *Carstairs*.

Mr. Sutherland is having the office and other buildings at his lumber yard painted. This makes a great improvement to their appearance.

Rev. Mr. Mahaffy preached at the Presbyterian Church service on Sunday evening. Rev. Mr. Campbell will be here again next Sunday.

Motter Bros. who own two sections of land east of town, came from *Calgary* on Tuesday to attend to their harvesting work. Jesse Motter left on Wednesday again to look after some land at Nanton which he owns.

Mr. Becker, sen., has commenced work on the house which he recently purchased. An addition is to be made to the building and it will all be fitted up. When finished Mr. F. McLean will take up residence in it.

Messrs Brotherton & Smith, the photo men, are in town this week, doing all kinds of photo work. They have taken the building next door to the Chronicle office as a studio and they intend remaining in town for a couple of weeks.

Who can doubt the fertility of Sunny Alberta soil after seeing roses such as are to be seen near here growing in the farm yard. Mrs. Pines brought in a fine sample of roses from their place and left at the post office this week.

If you do not know anything about separators do not let some smooth salesman make you believe that his machines are "just as good as the De Laval." Give us a chance to explain the difference. It will cost you nothing to know the truth Edwards & Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Page Nichols when in town this week left at the office a fine sample of vegetables grown in their garden. These comprised samples of various garden products of first class quality and shows how foolish was the old idea that this was a wilderness in which nothing would grow.

Mr. Grant met with a slight accident on Wednesday in the hotel. Mr. Handley had occasion to go down into the cellar through the trap door behind the bar, when Mr. Grant, in passing behind the bar fell down through the trap which he had failed to observe was open. Fortunately Mr. Grant was not much injured.

A Crop Report.

The following is the Bank of Commerce report of the crop situation in this neighborhood. Nothing further need be added to it.

"Cutting of wheat and barley is general and it is estimated that 60 per cent of these grains have been cut. The balance should be cut this week. Oats are turning and should be ready for harvesting in about two weeks. There have been two slight frosts, about four or five degrees, but no damage is reported with the exception of a little garden stuff. There has been a little damage done by hail, but not over 5 per cent."

Opened Palace Meat Market

The Palace Meat Market opened on Monday. G. F. Mitchell has taken over the business and has placed Frank Stephenson, of Moose Jaw, in charge of the shop. Mr. Mitchell hopes to be able to merit a good measure of the patronage of the people of the town and we have no doubt that he will get his share. A hearty welcome is extended to Mr. Mitchell and also to Mr. Stephenson into Crossfield's business arena.

AIRDRIE.

Watch Airdrie Grow!

Have you subscribed yet?

Presbyterian services at 3:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting will be held on Thursday evening.

Methodist Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Grant Vansickle is paying a visit to his brother Laif at present.

Miss F. Vansickle is visiting her brothers near Airdrie at present.

J. J. White, of Claresholm, registered at Airdrie Hotel on Sunday.

Mr. J. E. Gustus of the Airdrie district was a visitor in *Calgary* Friday.

J. B. Adamson, of Fort Saskatchewan, was a visitor in town on Monday.

A party of six landowners from Springfield, Ill. arrived in town last Friday.

Geo. A. Inge, M. D., of *Calgary*, paid a professional visit to Airdrie on Sunday.

Driving, saddle and work horses, broke and unbroken for sale. W. E. Mackenzie, Airdrie.

H. H. Chisholm, wife and family have arrived and intend spending a couple of weeks visiting their parents.

W. T. Rogers was appointed secretary of the local branch of the Lord's Day Alliance at Mr. Rochester's meeting.

Miss Myrtle Vansickle, of Hamilton, Ont., is spending a few days' visit at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. W. Gummer for the loss they have sustained by the death of their infant child. The funeral was held on Monday.

Messrs. Windsor, Glover, D. C. F. McArthur and Dr. Armitage, from Manitoba, were out shooting duck on Monday. They bagged 125 for the four guns and all were got on the wing. Unfortunately they failed to take account of the actual number of shots but they must have fired at least 120 shots.

It is reported that someone was seen trying to shoot a flopper on Monday. Five shots failed to land it and the service of a dog had to be called in to prevent its ultimately escaping.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Potatoes, per bushel	..\$1.20
Wheat, No. 1, red, bush	..73 c.
Wheat, No. 2, per68 c.
Wheat, No. 3,61 c.
Wheat, No. 4,53 c.
Feed wheat,55 c.
Flax75 c.
Oats58 c.
Barley50 c.
Eggs23 c.
Butter ..	lb. 17 c.
Hogs, live weight	..60
Cattle, live weight	lb. 3 c. to 3-4
Cows, live weight	..2 to 3
Mutton5c.

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The Chronicle.

Published at Crossfield, Alta.

Editor—J. Mewhort.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 1908

Mrs. Goo. Hatt Dead.

We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. G. Hatt, aged 30, which took place at her home at Aldrie on Wednesday night. She had been suffering from tuberculosis for some time past, but she was of a hopeful nature and when we inquired regarding her on Tuesday we found that she was feeling better and brighter than she had done for some time. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Hatt and the two small children left to mourn her loss.

The funeral takes place on Saturday, at 2.30 p. m.

Sunday Observance

Last Sunday Rev. W. M. Rochester, Western Field Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance preached in the Methodist church here. The attendance was good and considerable interest was manifested in the cause he represents. He referred to the Lord's Day Act and said that they desired to see the immigrants coming in, keep the country's laws. Some of them must be reminded that when they came to Canada they came on our terms and must recognize our laws. The enforcing of the act is not done in the interests of the church, but in the interests of the country as a day of rest was necessary for both man and beast. The speaker should be a good, bright day, not necessarily a solemn one. The main provision of the act is—give up the business of your ordinary calling on that day and do not compel anyone to do unnecessary work. The law had made provision for medical attendance, and medicine being obtained and for the provision of gas, and electric light, water supplies etc. In conclusion he reminded each one of their own personal responsibility in the matter and asked them to try to put all the brightness possible into the Sunday.

THE HINDOO FAKIR.

His Patience and Skill in the Bag and Spear Trick.

The feat known as the bag and spear trick has been considered one of the greatest of the Hindoo magician's art. In this trick, says a writer, the Hindoo fakir has his assistant get into a sack, the mouth of which he firmly secures, and then unconsciously hurls his helpless victim to the ground. Without a sign of warning the fakir drives his spear through the center of the bag.

After withdrawing his weapon, upon the point of which no blood stain appears, the fakir stands and gazes dreamily over the heads of the spectators. The body within the bag flounders about as if in mortal agony. At last, when the occupant is apparently dead, the fakir again plunges his spear into the motionless body. The same antics are repeated. Then the fakir releases his attendant from the bag, and he steps out without a scratch upon his body.

Although the trick is performed with all the carelessness imaginable, it calls for more patience, skill and exactness than any of the so called black art achievements. From the time the attendant enters the bag both fakir and assistant count every breath they take. When a stated number of breaths have been taken the fakir makes his thrust, and the occupant in the bag is prepared to avoid it. Then the count begins again, and at the proper time the spear is driven through the bag a second time. In order to evade the spear and make it appear to pass through his body the assistant doubles up in as small a form as possible. His legs are drawn up close, with the chin resting upon the knees and the arms folded round the lower limbs across the shins. When in this position, at the fifteenth breath, the spear passes under the attendant's arms between the abdomen and the thighs.

The slightest miscalculation by either the fakir or his assistant would mean a serious if not a mortal wound for one and an unheard of disgrace for the other.

That fakir and attendant are able so to train themselves to breathe in perfect unison while giving one of these performances, when the slightest variation in time by either would be fatal, is certainly wonderful.

DIED

GUMMER—At Aldrie on Sunday August 22nd, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Gummer.

Crossfield Items.

Crossfield in the Land of Sunshine.
The sale at the Toggery is still on.
See Dave.

Oats for Sale at J. A. Sutherland's, Crossfield.

D. A. MacCrimmon was a visitor to Crossfield on Thursday.

J. H. McCool has commenced work on his new residence in town.

Rev. F. Rickards, of Ashcroft, B. C., is here on a visit to his brother for a few days.

Protestant Church Service held in Methodist Church every Sunday evening at 7.30 p. m.

Methodist Sunday School is held at 2.30 and a preaching service at 3.30 every Sunday afternoon.

P. C. Cowling who has been rather a stranger in town lately was here for a few hours on Thursday.

Church of England service will be held in the School-house, Crossfield, on Sunday next at 7.30 p. m.

J. Weir, Inspector for Singer Sewing Machine Co., paid a visit to Crossfield on Wednesday in the interest of the Singer Co.

A letter from Mr. Leadbetter states that he is getting nicely settled down now and that crops and all else give promise of a very prosperous season in Langdon.

John Patterson seven miles east and a mile and a half south of Crossfield is having an auction sale of farm stock on Friday, September 11th. See the bills.

Mrs. B. McNicol on Saturday brought to this office a fine bouquet of lovely Alberta flowers. It can hardly be said that this district will produce wheat only after one has seen the beautiful flowers grown in some well-attended gardens such as Mrs. McNicol's.

AIRDRIE.

W. Gummer has purchased three lots in town and will put up a house on them.

Mrs. J. A. Stevens, of Huntington, Que., is here on a two months visit to her parents.

John Devine has purchased two town lots from Mr. Smith and intends erecting a residence for himself.

Rube Smith, of Springfield, Ill., has this week purchased Geo. Darragh's quarter section near town.

Mr. J. H. Smith this week purchased the butcher shop in Aldrie. He intends to have it run in a first-class manner and to carry a good stock of fresh meats and no doubt he will have the patronage of the people. Mr. Holgate is in charge of the shop.

R. C. Convent

A new Roman Catholic convent has just been erected in Red Deer and is to be used for educational purposes. The new building is a three storey one, with basement. It has large, well-ventilated rooms, and is lit with electricity throughout. Standing as it does in a commanding position, its red brick walls can be seen for miles. This is the only educational convent between Calgary and Edmonton and no doubt many people will avail themselves of the opportunity to send their children to board at the convent and obtain their education there. The teaching staff comprises English and French sisters and English, French, music, painting, and other subjects may be taken. A great many pupils are expected so that early application to the Rev. Mother Superior, Box 341, Red Deer, is advised.

Tested the Cows.

Dr. J. E. Sharp was out Thursday and Friday the 20 and 21 instant testing the cows of the Cardigan dairy which is the property of T. D. Thomas, Crossfield. He was very much pleased with the condition which he found. Every cow in the herd was found perfectly free from any case of tuberculosis or any other contagious disease. Not only that, but all the conditions around the place were found clean and healthy. There is a neat clean milk house by the well, far enough from all other buildings, containing a large cooling tank, into which fresh water from the well is pumped around the cans, to cool the milk immediately after milking. It is a satisfaction for the people of Calgary to know that the milk which they buy from the licensed dairy men is clean and healthy.

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I beg to announce to the people of Crossfield and vicinity that I have opened a butcher business in the

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We buy Hops and Poultry live or dressed anytime; delivered when ordered.

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PALACE MEAT MARKET
G. F. Mitchell, Prop.

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I beg to announce that I have arranged to open a shoe repairing establishment on or about September 1st in the store now occupied by Mr. McKee, the jeweler.

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Thorobred Berkshire Pigs.

Thorobred Berkshire Pigs for sale. Some fit for service. Address—
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Tenders Wanted.

Sealed Tenders will be received by the Secretary of the Crossfield School District No. 732 up to 12 o'clock a. m. Sept 24th, 1908, for the purchase of Lots 11, 12, 13 Block 6. Terms one third cash balance in 6 and 12 months at 6 per cent. Highest or any Tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders not to include fence.
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 to execute all work promptly
 and at reasonable prices.

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 50c Tea, Blue Ribbon. 40c
 5 Rose Flour. \$ 3.55
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 Just Fancy. Prunes 40-50's. \$2.00
 Malta Vita 2 for 25c.
 Everything at a bargain at the Cash Store
 Highest Price Paid for Fresh Butter
 and Eggs.

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EUGENE ARAM'S LIFE.

The Remarkable Career of This
 Famous Murderer.

A SCHOLAR AND A SCOUNDREL.

The Hero of Bulwer's Novel and
 Hood's Poem Was Really a Vile
 Criminal Who Abandoned Wife and
 Children and Knew No Remorse.

Eugene Aram, the scholar and murder-
 der who inspired two of the master-
 pieces of English literature—Hood's
 poem and Bulwer's novel—was hanged
 on Aug. 6, 1750.

Aram was born in 1704 in York-
 shire. By the time he was fourteen
 years old he was regarded in the neigh-
 borhood as a prodigy of learning. His
 fame for piety and gentleness as a
 scholar spread, and as a result he was
 invited to Knarborough to open a
 school in 1724. There a strange de-
 velopment took place in Aram's char-
 acter. He formed an association with
 a drinking, turbulent crowd of men,
 the opposite of himself, among them
 Daniel Clark, who kept a little cob-
 bler's shop, and Richard Houseman, a
 flux dresser.

In 1740 Clark married a woman with
 small fortune of \$1200. Immensely en-
 vied by his companions, he devised a
 scheme to rob her and her friends.
 Clark was to obtain all the goods he
 could on credit and hand them over to
 Aram and Houseman, who were to de-
 posit them in a safe place. Then after
 securing the plunder Clark was to de-
 ceive, leaving his wife to shift for her-
 self, and the property was to be sold
 and divided among the three men.

Clark went about procuring a wide
 variety of articles on credit. He pre-
 tended he was about to give a great
 wedding feast and borrowed silver,
 tankards, saucers, spoons, etc., from
 whoever would lend them. As fast
 as the different articles were obtained
 Clark, accompanied by Aram and
 Houseman, carried them to a place
 called St. Robert's cave.

When Clark had "borrowed" about
 everything valuable he had accumulated
 had to lend, the plot was decided it was
 time for him to disappear. So in the
 early morning of Feb. 8, 1745, he,
 Aram and Houseman went to the cave
 to divide the spoils before Clark left.
 Aram and Clark had quarreled a good
 deal during the progress of predatory
 operations. At the entrance to the
 cave the quarrel was renewed, and
 Aram pushed Clark away and rained
 down tremendous blows on his head
 and chest. Clark fell dead.

Houseman, terrified at the sight and,
 as he said, afraid of meeting the same
 fate, turned and ran away. Aram did
 not throw a particle of remorse or fear
 He entered up the booty and carried it
 to his house, where he buried part of
 it in the garden. He buried Clark's
 body and heaped stones over the grave.
 In the afternoon he went for House-
 man and threatened him with disclosure
 of the murder and made him believe he
 was equally guilty in law.

Clark's disappearance was not no-
 ticed for a day or two. Then the peo-
 ple from whom he had "borrowed"
 jewelry and plate began to make in-
 quiries. Suspicion was directed to
 Aram in some way. The village au-
 thorities searched his house and found
 a bundle containing battered plate and
 clothing stained with blood. Notwith-
 standing this, no action seems to have
 been taken by the authorities, nor was
 it suspected that Clark had been mur-
 dered. The search was begun to fear
 of the learned schoolmaster, however, and
 Aram suddenly left his wife and chil-
 dren and walked to London.

For fourteen years his family heard
 nothing of him. He spent the greater
 part of the time wandering about from
 place to place, at last finding a situa-
 tion as usher in a school at Lymington,
 June, 1758, a horse dealer who had
 known him in Knarborough met him
 in the Lymington market, recognized his
 identity. By a singular coincidence,
 almost the day the horse dealer recog-
 nized the now gray haired schoolteacher
 a skeleton was found by some work-
 men digging a pit in Thistle hill, in
 Knarborough.

A country tavern has a host recolle-
 ction of everything that has occurred
 to disturb it, and immediately the dis-
 appearance of Clark fourteen years
 before was remembered. Houseman
 still alive, got drunk first and then
 joined the crowd of villagers looking
 for the skeleton. "Clarry," he said
 with drunken gravity, "was never
 buried here."

The latter, still too drunk to realize
 the gravity of his position, carried
 that Clark's body would be found in St.
 Robert's cave. The crowd made a
 rush for that place, and some a skele-
 ton was exhumed.
 "I did not kill him!" gasped House-
 man, now thoroughly sober and terri-
 fied. "I was drunk and did not know it."
 Houseman was taken to the village jail,
 and a warrant was sworn out for
 Aram. When the officers took him
 away from the scene the crowd cried
 The government used Houseman as a
 witness to convict Aram. The latter's

speech in his own defense has come
 down complete—a masterly attack on
 circumstantial evidence, showing the
 intellectual power of the man. Aram
 made a half confession the night be-
 fore his execution, followed by an at-
 tempt at suicide, according to the
 custom of the time, his body was
 hanged in chains, and it was long
 known beyond record until 1758. Years
 later, when the details of his crime
 were dim, his remarkable career at-
 tracted Hood and Keats, and thus the
 obscure, talented, neglected man be-
 came a part of English literature—
 Exchange.

HE RODE FREE.

The Reason, Camp Meeting John Allen
 Got a Maine Central Pass.

Camp Meeting John Allen was one
 of the most picturesque characters of
 his time in Maine. Apropos of railroad
 passes a very interesting story is told.
 It occurred when Governor Morrill
 was governor of the Maine Central.
 Allen's applications were refused a
 number of times, because if there was
 one thing above all others which Mor-
 rill disliked it was to issue passes. He
 still defied it to be issued passes. The
 governor came down to his office in a
 somewhat brusque frame of mind that
 day. Those familiar with the storm
 signals quietly backed off and waited
 for an explosion. It came. One of the
 first letters opened, was from Camp
 Meeting John Allen requesting a pass
 for "self and wife." The secretary
 approached his chief with some hesita-
 tion.

"Here is another letter from Mr. Al-
 len asking for a pass," he said and laid
 the mischievous glint on the governor's
 desk.

The governor read it through and
 blazed away for a few minutes; then,
 frowning, he looked at the astonished
 secretary, he said, "Make it out."

The young man retired and began to
 fill in the various blank lines, but when
 he came to "what account" the pass
 was issued he was puzzled and ven-
 tured to seek information.

"On what account, governor?" he
 asked.

The chief looked traitorously over his
 spectacles.
 "Account, account? Account of —
 persistence. Be sure to put it in, too,"
 and he bowed as the young man
 passed out. "These Methodist parsons
 may have to put in all passes on the
 road to heaven, and I want Maine
 Central to have good connections with
 Camp Meeting John Allen's route."

A WARSHIP TEST.

The Unexpected Blast to General Quar-
 ters at Midnight.

The ship is lying at anchor in a
 distant port. It is night, and nothing
 is heard but the tramp of the sentry
 on the forecastle and the ripple of
 water at the gangway.

Only the officer of the deck, the quar-
 termaster and the guard are awake.
 The entire crew are below decks and
 dreaming in their hammocks.

The cabin door opens and the captain
 steps forth softly, fully dressed and
 wearing his sword and revolver. He
 speaks in a low tone to the officer of
 the deck, who sends an orderly for-
 ward with a message. In a moment
 the orderly returns, bringing with him
 the drummer, who stands silently at
 the mast, drumsticks in hand, wait-
 ing the command.

"Eight bells," midnight is struck.
 At a silent signal from the command-
 ing officer, the drummer pulses his
 sticks as rapid, then sounds the long
 roll, or "alarm," which is at once fol-
 lowed by the quick beat to "general
 quarters."

Instantly the scene changes to one of
 apparently the utmost confusion. Four
 hundred men leap from their ham-
 mocks. Pussing a few turns of the
 lashings around them, they throw them
 into their "nettings," then spring to
 their feet at the batteries and cast
 loose the guns.

A moment more and a bright flash
 and report from the forecastle pivot gun
 bursts upon the stillness of the gloom of
 the night, followed quickly by the
 broadside battery.

Each gun is fired once, a blank
 charge, but enough to show that the
 gun is in good order and ready for
 service.

As suddenly the pandemonium sub-
 sides. Confusion gives place to silence
 and order and not a sound is heard,
 but the little lantern flashing along
 the crowded deck reveal the well dis-
 ciplined crew standing at their quarters,
 every man equipped with cutlass and
 pistol, alert and alert. Spoons, rum
 jars, empty boxes and bottles are lit-
 tle the deck; everything is provided
 and ready as for action, while the
 captain, accompanied by the executive
 officer, the first lieutenant, with an
 orderly bearing a lantern, makes a
 thorough inspection fore and aft and
 before, including the powder division,
 magazines and shell rooms, to see that
 nothing is lacking which would be re-
 quired in real action.

At the touch of the drum the ship
 has been changed from destitute illi-
 ness to readiness for battle, every offi-
 cer there as at his station, armed, alert,
 expectant and all in less than three
 minutes.

The Only Digestible Kind.

A young man who is striving for po-
 litical honors and who therefore feels
 obliged to do considerable public
 talking was recently waited upon by a
 delegation of men residing in one of
 the poorer regions of his district.

He was greatly pleased when their
 spokesman requested a speech from
 him at an early date.
 "What kind of a speech?" he asked.
 "An after dinner speech," replied a
 wag in a shabby coat—Youth's Com-
 panion.

A Nice Friend.

"You're a nice friend to have! Why
 didn't you lend Burroughs the sovereign
 he wanted?"

"Why should I?"

"To save me. You must have realized
 that he knew if he didn't get it from
 you he would from me. You've prac-
 tically robbed me of that amount!"—
 London Telegraph.

Criminal.

The religious officer was struggling
 with the query, "Is it a sin to play
 poker?" After much prayerful con-
 sideration he wrote the following reply:
 "Yes; the way some people play it."

Work Ahead.

Farmer Reventer-I've just heard
 that the Wilder biggs has married the
 hired man. Farmer Hornbush—Then,
 by July, he'll have to climb down from
 the fence and go home.

The Volume of Business

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"My good house, old doctor advised me to take Peruna, which I did and in a short time my health began to improve very rapidly, the bronchial trouble gradually disappeared, and in three months my health was fully restored."

"Accept a grateful man's thanks for his restoration to perfect health."

Pe-Ru-na for His Patients.

A. W. Ferrin, M. D., 8, 100 Halway St., Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I am using your Peruna myself, and am recommending it to my patients in all cases of catarrh, and find it to be more than you represent. Peruna can be had now of all druggists in this section. At the time I began using it, it was unknown."

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The Last Straw.

There was once a playwright who sat in front at the first night of a new piece of his own. This piece failed—it failed dreadfully.

As the playwright sat, pale and sad, amid the hisses, a woman behind him leaned forward and said: "Excuse me, sir, but, knowing you to be the author of this play, I will lift the liberty at the beginning of the performance of nipping off a lock of your hair. Allow me now to return it to you."—Silly Stories.

Wise mothers who know the virtues of Mother Gargol and Worm Exterminator always have it at hand, because it proves its value.

Alderman Tracy of Chicago, has a son who was one day boasting of his father's official position.

"My father," he said to a companion, "is an Alderman."

"Huh!" snorted the other boy, "that's nothing. My father blows the whistle at the mill!" That settled it.—Home Herald.

Minard's Liniment Cures Gargol In Cows.

"Now, Johnny," said the Sunday school teacher, "can you tell me one of the most remarkable things Moses did?"

"Yes, ma'am," responded the bright youth. "He broke all the commandments at the same time."—London Opinion.

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Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., incorporated in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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It was beginning to rain, and the man who was on the point of starting for church discovered that there was not an umbrella in the house fit for use. "You can borrow one from the T—," a next door, suggested the better half, "they never go to church."

"No, Laura," he answered with firmness, "it is wrong to borrow umbrellas on Sunday. I shall punish myself for my carelessness by not going to church this morning."

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SHOE POLISH

"I tell you, these people are an impatient set and the shoe polish they use that they get into the shoe is not pure and use 'S. L. L.'"

"It's easier for you, too, and you should use the same I get in the morning."

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SHOE POLISH

"He had three daughters. One married a French chauffeur."

"I feel quite romantic."

"The second married an Indian, a descendant of a chieftain."

"I feel quite aboriginal."

"But the third married a plain American business man."

"H'm! Merely eccentric, I should say."—Puck.

Accused Person.

Mrs. J's patience was much tried by a servant who had the habit of standing around with her mouth open. One day as the maid waited upon the table her mouth was open, as usual, and her mistress said:

"Mary, your mouth is open."

"Yes, ma'am," replied Mary. "I opened it."—Philadelphia Ledger.

A STRANGE PAGEANT.

Annual March of Moslems to Jerusalem.

One of the strangest of all the pageants which are to be seen in Jerusalem is the annual march of the Moslems to the tomb of Moses. To them, as well as to Christians and Jews, Moses is a prophet of the highest honor. But, rejecting the traditions of the Hebrews, they regard to believe that he was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, as is described in the last chapter of Deuteronomy. Instead they assert that he was buried where he breathed his last, upon the summit of Mount Nebo.

Therefore each year at the time of the Greek Easter the faithful gather by thousands in the early morning before the site of the temple of Solomon in perfect silence, waiting for daybreak.

Later the strange scene of quiet is entirely transformed, fanatic dances and hundreds of exhorters rousing the enthusiasm of their fellows.

The scene is gaudy with hundreds of red and green banners, and the only semblance of order is in the semicircular organization of the marchers.

At last the procession forms, with the banners borne ahead, an imam bearing the yalaghan of the prophet—a short, straight edged sword used by the armies of Mohammed—and after them more dancers and marchers.

A large part of the pageant of Jerusalem gathers about the gate of which the procession moves toward the Mount of Olives, but few besides the Moslems are to be seen.

In the ranks of marchers, since death has often been the penalty of an attempt by a non-Moslem to join this march to "Mohammed," the tomb of Moses.

Traders of many kinds invade the camp, for as the marchers rest at the mosque five days, and all their supplies must be bought from the wandering merchants, who make a business of looking after their needs.

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The mosque on Nebo is one of the most sacred of Mohammedan shrines and one of the most difficult for a Christian to approach.

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Bessie Bute brags so much about her conquests, began Goldie Hoaming "Oh course, she's more attractive to the men than I, but—"

"Not at all," interrupted Vera Cutting. "So sweet of you to say that, but I know she is."

"Nonsense! Why, she hasn't nearly so much as you have,"—Chicago Standard and Times.

An Oil Without Alcohol.—Some oils and many medicines have alcohol as a prominent ingredient. A judicious mingling of six essential oils compose the famous Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, and there is no alcohol in it, so that its effects are lasting. There is no medicinal oil compounded that is more in its preventive and healing power.

The politician had been charged with perjury.

"What's that?" he asked languidly. "Forwards to a policeman."

"Why, any chump could swear to the truth, explained the politician. "I can't promise more than three wives, that's what," he added, with defiant indignation.—Philadelphia Ledger.

KEEP CHILDREN WELL DURING HOT WEATHER

Every mother knows how fatal the summer months are to small children. Cholera infantum, diarrhoea, dysentery and stomach troubles are alarmingly frequent at this time and too often a precious little life is lost before a few long hours.

The mother who keeps Baby's Own Tablets in the house feels safe. The occasional use of Baby's Own Tablets prevents stomach and bowel troubles, or if the trouble comes suddenly—as it generally does—the Tablets will bring the little one through safely. Mrs. George Howell, Sandy Beach, Quebec, writes: "My baby was suffering with colic, vomiting and diarrhoea, but after giving him Baby's Own Tablets the trouble disappeared. I would advise all mothers to keep a box of Tablets always at hand. Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at \$2 a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont."

"What's de matter, Chinnie? Yer look sore."

"Chinnie—Sure I'm sore. I got up early yisterdy mornin' an' anchored myself alongside o' de big knothead o' de fence as de baseball grounds; den we de game begins de overflow crowd lined up in front o' me knothead. The Catholic Standard and Times.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

Old Christmas.

When George S. Sullivan returned the calendar in 1882 he omitted ten days, but when the new style was adopted in England in 1752 it was necessary to cut off eleven days, which brought Jan. 6 back to Dec. 23 of the previous year. So what we now call Jan. 6 in the old style would be Christmas day, Dec. 23.

A Great Cooling Port.

Malta is one of the most important cooling ports in the Mediterranean, and consequently there are many firms there dealing in cool, of which the island is at all times a large stock on hand.

Railway Supplies Are Many.

At a convention of railway stock keepers one of the statements made was that the stockkeeper of the average big railway system carries 50,000 pounds of material in stock. Railway "scraps" are of sufficient importance as an economic factor to be divided into 150 classes in order that they may be sold most profitably.

Back

Each

"Biggest and Best"

Plug

Chewing Tobacco

Unchanged.

"I met Dundee today for the first time in years. He hasn't changed much."

"Oh, he hasn't changed at all, but he doesn't seem to realize it."

"How do you mean?"

"Oh, he's forever talking about 'what a fool he used to be.'"

NEW RULER OF AFGHANISTAN.

An Interesting Man Almost as Versatile as the Kaiser.

A short, stout man, who wears a gray frock coat when visiting, like afternoon tea, plays remarkably good game of bridge, does not hesitate to sit down at the piano and sing a song for the entertainment of a party, and after dinner has been known to speed the parting friend with a long and animated conversation on the doormat—this is one side of the character of Habib-Ullah Khan, ruler of the Afghans, Amir of Kabul, sector after God's health and lamp of the congregation and the faith.

He did all these things when visiting India in the early part of last year, says a writer in The London Daily Mail. In some minds he created the impression that he was the Asiatic counterpart of the German Emperor.

He told various people whom he met that he was the best smith in Afghanistan, the best carpenter, the best drill sergeant. Then he claimed to be able to preach a better sermon than any mullah, and as a matter of fact he did so, and he prayed at Delhi—surely the largest prayer meeting on record.

He speaks seven or eight languages; he plays cricket, he has acquired a liking for the motor car and he seems to think very highly of his own power.

Then, too, he apparently knows how to enjoy himself at a race meeting, and when he is not busy at the spot if he loses. When he was in India an attendant stalked solemnly behind him, carrying a vast cashbox full of money, from which disbursements were made, when necessary. He said to himself, "I am a potentate, but when he plays cricket with his attendants, the money is apparently always won. It might perhaps be risky for opponents to make a better showing."

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C. P. R. Strike And the Public.

[From the Saturday News]

It is astonishing how the majority of newspapers are outspoken to a point far beyond rashness on certain occasions, when moderation would be a virtue, while on others when a plain speaking would be in the public interests, they are as guarded in their utterances as any diplomatic corps. During recent weeks, editorial pages have been filled with torrents of abuse directed against one or other of the parties in Saskatchewan. One would think that the whole of the future of Western Canada depended on the result. But, as a matter of fact, from the standpoint of the public interests, it is of very little consequence whether Mr. Scott or Mr. Haultain is returned, when we compare the issues involved in the election in the neighboring province with those at stake in the strife between the Canadian Pacific Railway and a very important section of its employees. It means a serious menace to the return of prosperity, on which with glowing crop prospects we are counting, and its continuance after the Lemieux Act has been invoked will serve to discredit a piece of legislation which gave promise of being of powerful service in the cause of industrial peace. Surely if there is a subject that is worth discussing on the editorial page, here we have one. But how many newspapers are facing it? They express regret that friction has arisen at this particular time but what good does that do? That is something on which everyone is agreed. Something more is required from those who presume to lead public opinion.

When the Lemieux Act was passed, its provisions and the theory which underlay it were thoroughly explained. It did not introduce compulsory arbitration of disputes between capital and labor, in the sense that the parties to the dispute were to be forced by law to abide by the result. But it made necessary the submission of the matters at issue to a Conciliation Board before a strike was declared. When this board had handed out its decision, and either of the disputants declined to abide by it, it was calculated that the force of public opinion would soon show itself so unmistakably on the side of the party accepting the award that submission to its terms would soon become inevitable.

In the case of the trouble between the C. P. R. and its mechanics, a Conciliation Board was constituted in response to the demand of the men. The company refused to nominate a representative and the Government, following the terms of the Act, did so on its behalf. The questions in dispute are highly technical and it is impossible for the average man to reach any conclusion in respect to them off hand. Sufficient it is to say that this Board, made up of one member appointed by Unions, one by the Government, acting in default of the company, and a third agreed upon by these two, made exhaustive investigation. The representative of the unions made one report, and his two colleagues another. With the latter the company expressed itself as dissatisfied. Whether it really was or not, it is impossible to say. At any rate, even though the report made larger concessions to the men, than the company was in the first place willing to allow, it agreed to accept the rulings of the majority. This the men have refused to do, insisting on the acceptance of the minority finding, and have accordingly gone on strike.

It is at this point that those who framed the Act calculated that public opinion would assert itself and we believe that it is the duty of those who profess to act as the organs of that

opinion to show where they stand. If they do not do so, the procedure provided by this legislation cannot possibly be made effective. The Saturday News holds no brief for the C. P. R., nor is it an enemy of organized labor. What it is thinking of in the present instance is not the welfare of either of the parties to the dispute, but that of the public at large, who will be most seriously affected. If the machinists persist in holding out against the majority award of the Board constituted to adjudicate on the dispute, they will not only seriously imperil the prosperity of the country, with which the interests of every Canadian worker, whether his position is a humble or an exalted one, are bound up, but will serve to bring discredit on the whole cause of Unionism. Up to the present the forces of organized labor in Canada have on the whole been very well led. They have fought hard for adequate remuneration, reasonable hours of labor, and proper conditions surrounding their work and in doing so have had on the whole the sympathy of the body of citizens outside their ranks. This we would be very sorry to see alienated in the present instance.

The Other Side.

A subscriber requests the insertion of the following clipping:

A farmer in one of the states to the south of us makes some statements that are well worth considering by retail merchants generally, who are interested in securing and keeping the farmers trade. He says:

"If the mail order houses get \$1,000 out of this country each month that belongs to the home merchants the fault is with the merchants themselves. The mail order houses advertise and give us prices on everything they have for sale. They tell us what they have and what they want for it. Of course we get scalped once in a while and if we do we can try some other house. Most of the home merchants who advertise at all don't quote prices. They neglect to tell us what we want to know—the price. Of course, we can go to the store and ask the price of this article and that, but you know how it is—one does not know so well exactly what he wants to buy when he goes to the store as when he is at home. And there is where the mail order houses make their hit. They send their advertising matter into our homes, and we read it when we have nothing else to do, and every member of the family who reads their stuff usually finds something that he or some other member of the family wants, and many orders are made up and sent out at such times. 'Right here is where the home merchant falls down.' If he talked up his business to us in our homes the same as the mail-order houses do the people would begin to see him the next time they came to town and in many cases extra trips would be made to get the things at once that we didn't know we wanted until they were brought to our attention."

"The home merchant can save the expense of getting out a catalogue. We people read the home papers more carefully than we do a catalogue and if the merchant wants to talk business with us let him put his talk in the home papers and put it in so we know he means business. The home merchant, likely nine times out of ten sell his goods as cheap as the mail order houses, and I believe on many things they are much cheaper, but how are we to know if they don't tell us about it?"

"A merchant must not think that even his best customers know his goods so well that they can tell what he has without being shown."

"It is none of my business how the

home merchant runs his business, but I don't like to see these roasts in the papers all the time about us fellows who get a little stuff shipped in, once in a while and never anything said on the other side. There are always two sides to a question, and I have given you mine. If it is worth anything to you, you can take it."—Carmichael Journal.



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Lethbridge, October 27th, 1908 and April 27th, 1909.
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